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TRAVEL BAN EXEMPTION REQUEST

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11. This is an action request. USUN is requested to immediately inform UKUN that we do not intend to object to Edwin Snowe's second request for a travel ban exemption. consider this request to meet the criteria described in paragraph 4(c) of UNSC resolution 1521 (2003), where the Council decided that the travel ban shall not apply if travel is justified on the grounds of humanitarian need. If UKUN is able to share information indicating that Snowe's travel ban exemption request is not credible, USUN should request Department for further instruction. If UKUN does not have derogatory information pertaining to Snowe's travel ban exemption request, USUN is to inform the Chair of the Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1521 (2003) concerning Liberia that the United States does not object to Edwin Snowe's travel ban exemption request so that he may pursue further medical treatment in Accra, Ghana. The extended No Objection Deadline (NOD) is 5 PM Friday, 16 January.